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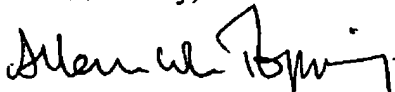
**RE: Application 09/207,339
Automated Identification Through Analysis of Optical Birefringence within Nail Beds**

Sir: I have not yet received correspondence from the PTO. This is understandable considering the irregular postal service in Southern Arizona. Circumstances have required that I leave the States on the 8th of July, not to return until the 16th. When we last spoke you indicated that all official correspondence, in particular, the fee required for the PTO to issue the patent documents must be in Washington before a date certain. **Is that date after 16 July, 2003?**

Also, would you summarize any changes you may have made concerning the claims, 35-40. I trust they are abandoned, per our last conversation.

Owing to the time difference of 3 hours, I will leave my FAX machine on line tonight in hopes that you will kindly respond to that number: 520-398 -2552
Otherwise, I will attempt to telephone you directly at 11:30 AM your time.

Most sincerely,



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